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Referred to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Introduced by:
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***AN ACT CONCERNING A TAX CREDIT FOR CORPORATE
DONATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2011, and applicable to income years*
2 *commencing on or after January 1, 2011*) (a) For purposes of this section,
3 "business firm" means any entity authorized to do business in this state
4 and subject to the corporation business tax imposed under chapter 208
5 of the general statutes.

6 (b) There shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by
7 chapter 208 of the general statutes for contributions made by a
8 business firm to scholarships established to enable students from low-
9 income families to attend private elementary or secondary schools. The
10 credit shall be in an amount equal to ten per cent of the amount of any
11 donation in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars.

12 (c) The amount of the credit allowed for any income year for any
13 one business firm may not exceed five thousand dollars. In no event
14 shall the total amount of all tax credits allowed to all business firms
15 pursuant to the provisions of this section exceed five hundred

16 thousand dollars in any one fiscal year.

17 (d) The credit shall be claimed on the tax return for the income year
 18 during which the business firm made the donation to the scholarship
 19 fund. Any tax credit not used in the period during which the
 20 expenditure was made may be carried forward for the five
 21 immediately succeeding income years until the full credit has been
 22 allowed.

23 (e) The Commissioner of Revenue Services shall adopt regulations
 24 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes
 25 to implement the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall
 26 include criteria for scholarship funds to qualify for donations allowed
 27 a credit pursuant to this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2011, and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2011</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To provide a credit against the corporation business tax for businesses donating more than \$2,500 to scholarships that help students from low-income families attend private elementary or secondary schools.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]